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Change Order Definition

When work is needed that is different or in addition to the work provided for in the construction contract documents

Written agreement between the contractor and the Project Sponsor modifying the existing contract

Needs prior approval from NHDOT





7 Types of Change Orders

- Normal / Non Critical
- Critical path
- > Emergency condition
- > Time extension
- Non-participating
- Balance and excess
- Final balancing



The process is generally the same for each above, the time for "Emergency Condition" and "Critical Path" CO's is less





7 Change Orders steps

- 1) Identify need
- 2) Engineer's IGE
- 3) Contractor's cost estimate
- 4) Engineer's Justification
- 5) Negotiate & submit
- 6) Wait for NHDOT approval
- 7) Execute Change Order





CO Step #1 - Identify Need

Contractor, Contract Administrator (CA), Project Engineer, or Sponsor identifies need in writing



Example

Contractor needs more drainage pipe:

- Needs additional 15 feet of 15" pipe (existing contract item)
- Needs 24 feet of 24" pipe (Not in contract)





CO Step #2 - Engineer's IGE

Justify draft change order in writing

- Description of work
- > Schedule impact
- Cost implication (IGE)
- > All backup to justify need

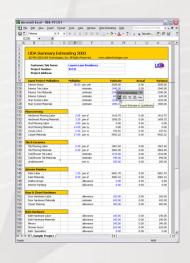


If justified, then request price from contractor (recommended to seek NHDOT's opinion at this step)





CO Step #3 – Contractor's Cost Estimate



Price items per unit price specifications

Example contractor change order price installed per foot

- >\$10 per foot for 15" pipe
- >\$20 per foot for the 24" pipe





CO Step #4 - Engineer's Justification

Are unit prices reasonable?

- Existing Contract Item (15" pipe)
 Verify change order unit price (\$10/FT) is close to existing contract unit price.
 If CO quantity is significantly more than base bid quantity? Then change order unit price should come down.
- New Contract Item (24" pipe)
 Review and document weighted average unit prices and/or other similar projects for comparison to contractors change order price.





CO Step #5 - Negotiate & Similar to scope & fee Submit

- Discuss any differences in scope or understanding of the proposed CO
- Negotiate among Contractor, Sponsor, Contract Administrator and Project Engineer to determine cost





Document and submit draft CO & IGE to NHDOT for review and approval





CO Step #6 – Wait for Approval

NHDOT process

- > Review draft CO
- > Discuss with FHWA
- Request additional funds from NHDOT Program Manager and FHWA



NHDOT process can take time and no change order work can begin until NHDOT approval in writing





CO Step #7 - Execute Change Order

All parties sign the Change Order per the contract documents



- Copy the NHDOT on the signed executed document
- We prefer hard copy and PDF





Emergency and Critical Path CO's

Same Process but Expedited

- **Emergency**: Imminent danger or unsafe condition
- Critical Path: Item will delay the project based on CPM project schedule
- > Still need NHDOT prior approval
- ➤ See LPA Manual Section #27 for more information





Time Extension and Non-Participating CO's

- Contract Time Extensions: Need to be documented and approved by NHDOT Liquidated damages may come into play for additional CE time
- Non-Par Changes: Need to be tracked by NHDOT and included in the overall project costs





Balance & Excess CO's

Change Orders Along the Way

- NHDOT requires comparing the contract item totals with the installed quantities at the 25%, 50%, 75% and 90% stages of a project
- This helps to identify the need for additional funds early and gives time to run a balance and excess change order if necessary





Final Balancing CO

Final Change Order at project completion

- Documents final pay quantities for every item constructed
- ➤ It is too late to ask for additional funds at this point in time
- Change Orders need to be approved prior to that work beginning



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Quality Assurance Program Basics:

- Acceptance Testing:
 Done by Construction Engineer
- ➤ Independent Assurance Testing:

 Done by NHDOT Bureau of M&R
- Both shall follow QAP document titled: "NHDOT Quality Assurance Program for Municipally Managed Federal-Aid Projects"

Found in Appendix #21 and handouts





Quality Assurance Program

Construction Engineer

Fills out Quality Assurance Program Information Form (see handout) based on items in contract (concrete, asphalt, etc...)



- ➤ Submits form to NHDOT Bureau of M&R at beginning of construction phase
- ➤ Follows testing guidance in document

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QAP Quality Assurance Program Frequency of testing example

Material **Property** Test Acceptance **Assurance** test by CE test by **NHDOT** 304.1 Sand Compaction In Place **One CE Test AASHTO** 1/1,200 CY T191, with NHDOT T310, or present (within last **Test** calendar **Strip** year)

Assurance Testing is mostly "testing the tester" New Hampshire

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Quality Assurance Program

Certifications for Testers

Soil and Asphalt Testers need Certification from NETTCP (North East Transportation Training & Certification Program)



Concrete Testers need Certification from <u>NETTCP</u> or <u>ACI</u> (American Concrete Institute)





QAP Quality Assurance Program **Project records**

- A "Lab Book" shall be part of project records that has documentation of tests performed and test results
- > The CE must certify at the end of the project that materials incorporated into the work were in conformance with plans and specifications





See handout for sample **Certification Form**





QAP Quality Assurance Program **Qualified Products List**

Some items are prequalified for quality:

Example:

<u>Item #559 - Asphaltic Plug Expansion Joint</u> 559.2.1 - "The expansion joint shall be one of the products listed on the Qualified Products List"

www.nh.gov/dot/org/projectdevelopment/m aterials/research/products.htm



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Final Inspection

Who to Invite?

Sponsor, CE, Contract Administrator, Contractor, NHDOT Project Manager and FHWA

➤ Also, NHDOT Highway
Maintenance if NHDOT will have
maintenance responsibility







Final Inspection

Punch List ... then Complete & Accept letter

- ➤ Inspect project for flaws, incomplete work and needed changes
- Contract Administrator generates
 Punch List
- Once Punch List is satisfactorily completed, Sponsor issues Complete and Accepted letter with date the project was turned over to the Project Sponsor and maintenance begins





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Why Work Zone Traffic Control?







Traffic Control

Work zones create unexpected conditions for the travelling public which can harm construction workers, cause traffic crashes, injuries and/or fatalities







Goals for Work Zone Traffic Control

- > Protect construction workers
- > Protect the travelling public

- ROAD WORK 1500 FT
- Provide acceptable levels of traffic capacity for the travelling public
- Maintain access to abutters
- Provide flexibility based on work zone operations
- ➤ Follow Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)





Work Zone Considerations 2 Questions to ask:

➤ What are you doing? "the construction operation"

➤ Where are you doing it? "the transportation setting"







Work Zone Considerations

Operational Considerations:

- > Width and length of work zone
- > Duration of work
- >Time of work (night vs. day)
- > Rolling operation or stationary
- > Type of construction equipment
- ➤ Where will the drainage go?







Work Zone Considerations Setting Considerations:

- > Type or class of roadway
- >Traffic volumes
- > Roadway geometry / sight lines
- >Speed of traffic
- ➤ Other Traffic: Pedestrians / Bikes / Trains / Boats / Airports / Railroads?
- > Business access
- ➤ Other nearby work zones







Work Zone Traffic Control Plan

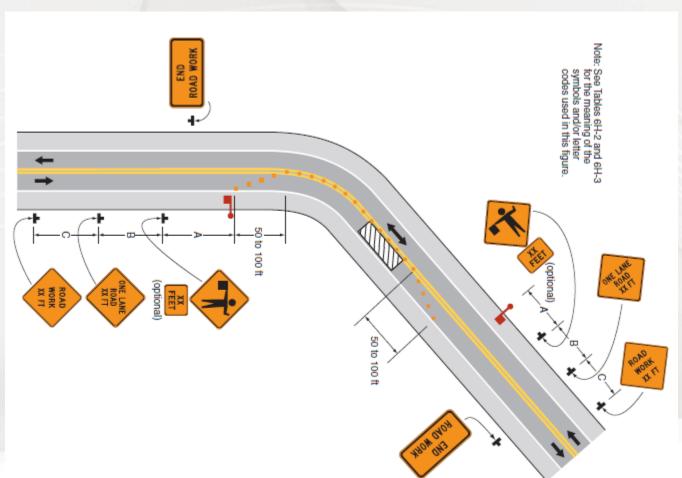
- ➤ A project specific Traffic Control Plan (TCP) shall be developed as part of the design process
- ➤ The TCP shall be based on standard sequences of signs or other traffic control devices as shown in NHDOT Highway Design Manual & MUTCD Part 6 - Temporary Traffic Control







Work Zone Traffic Control Plan



Alternating one way traffic with flaggers

MUTCD Figure 6H-10





Traffic Control Inspection

During construction the Contract Administrator should make frequent reviews of actual traffic control installations







Work Zone Traffic Control

DO's

Clean signs High reflectivity Good condition -Fresh temporary pavement markings

Dirty / broken signs Missing reflectivity **DONT's** Spray paint on plywood Duct tape on signs Faded temporary pavement markings





Traffic Control Web Links Doing business section

Doing Business with DOT > Engineers/Consultants



Information for Engineers and Consultants

Engineers and consultants doing business with the New Hampshire Department of Transportation will find links to business and technical information listed below.

> For more information contact: NH Department of Transportation (603) 271-3734

Business Information

Consultant Selection

- Consultant Selection Information
- Eligible Consultant List
- Possible Action Projects For Information Only
- Projects Soliciting for Interest
- Short List Projects

Labor Compliance and CIVII Rights

- DBE and Minority/Women Owned
 Business Information
- DBE Directory
- DBE for Airport Projects
- Labor Compliance and Civil Rights

Scroll to bottom right, Work Zone Safety

http://www.nh.gov/dot/business/engineers.htm





Important Traffic Control Links

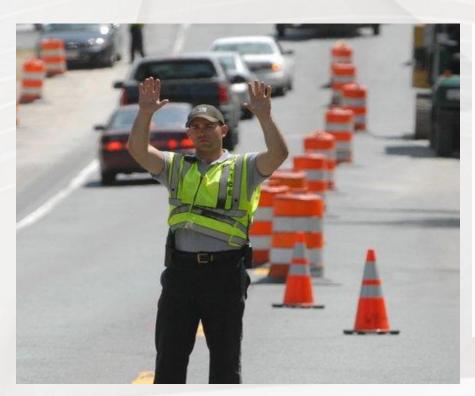
NHDOT Website Links

- 1) Law Enforcement Training requirement
- 2) Law Enforcement & Flagger Policy
- 3) Work Zone Safety and Mobility Policy
 - Traffic Control Committee
 - Work Zone Crash Report requirement





Link #1 - Law Enforcement Training Requirement





Correct Paddles

See handout for training info

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Department of Transportation



Link #2 - NHDOT Flagger and Law Enforcement Policy

- Provides guidance for use of flaggers and uniformed officers
- Purpose is to maintain the highest level of safety and reduce costs
- >LPA shall follow policy

See handout for copy of policy





Link #3 -Work Zone Crash Reporting

- Work zone crashes shall be reported to the NHDOT by the Sponsor and/or
 - Consultant
- ➤ Use Work Zone Crash Report (WZCR)
- Submit completed WZCR's to your Project Manager (hard copy or scanned email)

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See handout for sample WZCR
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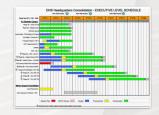




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> Preconstruction Meeting





> Contractors CPM Schedule







➤ Project Records

> Construction Reimbursement

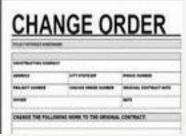






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Questions?



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